

# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA CONVENED THIS 9<sup>th</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2015, AT 8:30 A.M. SOUTH PASADENA SENIOR CENTER 1102 OXLEY STREET

#### ROLL CALL

Chair Alexandria Levitt convened the Regular Meeting of the South Pasadena Senior Citizen Commission at 8:35 a.m.

Chair Alexandria Levitt called the roll. Present were City Commissioners Vanderwall, Phelps, Hurtado-Sokolow and Knight.

City Council Liaison, Robert Joe was not able to attend.

Other Staff present: Community Services Supervisor Torres.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Chair Levitt opened the Public Comments section.

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Chair Levitt closed the Public Comments section.

# 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF June 10, and July 29, 2015

Commissioner Knight motioned to approve minutes as submitted. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Phelps.

AYES: Levitt, Phelps, Vanderwall, Hurtado-Sokolow and Knight.

NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None.

#### 2. UPDATE ON CONVALESCENT HOME IN SOUTH PASADENA

Police Chief Miller provided history and steps with the investigation with the local convalescent facility in town. He worked closely with DA office and staff with LA County Ombudsman office to make changes took place with the various violations the facility and the previous management company had. He worked hard to set up the press conference which was held the week prior to announce the major changes within the facility. At the present the facility is in process of becoming recertified, once this takes place the chief is committed to bringing back a few of the residents that were displaced. He and his department are committed to working closely with the new management company to assure the residents are protected.

# 3. UPDATE AND DISCUSSION ON SENIOR COMMISSION GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Commissioners discuss the following with regard to goals:

Marketing Center services:

The post card for holidays will go out in October and Alexandria will be working on article.

Website:

Staff asked commissioners to give specifics on what they like from the websites that were sent via email.

Medicare Workshop:

The September workshop was cancelled and is being rescheduled.

#### 4. UPDATE ON SENIOR HOUSING:

Staff Torres reported that she attended the special meeting with Supervisor Antonovich for August 18<sup>th</sup> and that City Manage Gonzales covered the topic of senior housing.

# 3. REPORT ON THE COMMUNITY CENTER AD HOC COMMITTEE MEETING

Commissioner Vanderwall stated there was no update on the project.

## 4. ANNUAL REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

Staff reported that the annual report to City Council is scheduled for presenting on November 18<sup>th</sup>. Staff was asked to forward the previous years report to the chair.

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

### 5. DIAL A RIDE UPDATES

Staff provided update on staff changes within the office and also provided report on ridership for the fiscal year.

#### 6. REPORT ON SENIOR CITIZENS FOUNDATION OF SOUTH PASADENA

Staff stated that the Foundation was setting up a meeting for mid-September. Commissioners Levitt and Vanderwall offered to attend the next meeting of the foundation to open up the lines of communications.

# 7. REPORT ON EVENTS

Staff provided reports on upcoming event like Spaghetti Feast, Halloween, thanks giving and Christmas. Staff reported that the police department will once again sponsor the event for the seniors for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

## 8. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON

The mayor was not in attendance at this meeting.

#### 9. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

No comments were given.

### 10. STAFF LIAISON

Staff announced that the Social Work intern begins today and comes to us from USC.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Levitt adjourned the Regular Meeting of the South Pasadena Senior Commission at 9:40 am.

Chair, Alexandria Levitt